

THE HONORABLE BARBARA J. ROTHSTEIN

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

LUCIA FLORES, DONNA RUCKER, JASON STEBBINS, SANDY WHITE, JULIE BLOOM STEBBINS, CHERI ANNE CLARKE, and, BECKY WHITE, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

v.

AMAZON.COM, INC., and AMAZON.COM SERVICES, INC.

Defendants.

Case No.: 2:21-cv-00873-BJR

STIPULATED MOTION TO TRANSFER VENUE AND ORDER

STIPULATION

Plaintiffs Lucia Flores, Donna Rucker, Jason Stebbins. Sandy White, Julie Bloom Stebbins, Cheri Anne Clarke, and Becky White (“Plaintiffs”) and Defendants Amazon.com, Inc. and Amazon.com Services, Inc. (“Amazon”) jointly stipulate and move the Court as follows:

WHEREAS, Plaintiffs originally filed this action in the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Defendants’ request, discussions between the parties, and 28 U.S.C. § 1404(a), all parties consent to transfer venue to the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois (“N.D. Ill.”);

WHEREAS, the convenience of the parties and witnesses are likely to be advanced by transfer because relevant evidence and witnesses are likely to be located within the N.D. Ill.;

WHEREAS, the interests of justice and judicial economy are likely to be advanced by transfer to the N.D. Ill. because an action pending in that district concerns substantially the same parties, property, transaction, or event as alleged in this action, namely that this action and the action in the N.D. Ill. set forth claims under the Illinois Biometric Information Privacy Act arising from the use of Amazon's Alexa-enabled devices and the recording of users' voices during the operation of Alexa allegedly without their consent;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing, Plaintiffs and Amazon certify that they have met and conferred and agree and hereby stipulate to transfer this action to the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois.

Dated: July 29, 2021

Respectfully submitted,

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ORDER

Having considered the Parties' Stipulated Motion to Transfer Venue, the Court finds that venue is appropriate in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1404(a) and that transfer to that District will advance the convenience of the parties and witnesses, the interests of justice, and judicial economy because an additional action pending within the District is likely to concern substantially the same parties, property, transaction, or event as alleged in this action.

It is HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. The Stipulated Motion to Transfer Venue (Dkt. No. 15) is GRANTED.
2. The Clerk of Court is directed to transfer this case to the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois under 28 U.S.C. § 1404(a).
3. All dates on this Court's calendar for this action shall be withdrawn in light of the transfer.

DATED this 29th day of July, 2021.

s/Barbara J. Rothstein
Barbara Jacobs Rothstein
U.S. District Judge